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*In re* Application of GELLRICH ET AL.

Appl. No.: 10/565,612 Filed: July 06, 2006

For: MICROLITHOGRAPHIC PROJECTION APPARATUS

AND METHOD FOR INTRODUCING AN

IMMERSION LIQUID INTO AN IMMERSION SPACE:

WITHDRAWAL FROM ISSUE

37 CFR 1.313

The purpose of this communication is to inform you that the above identified application is being withdrawn from issue pursuant to 37 CFR 1.313.

The above-identified application is hereby withdrawn from issue. The Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due and the Notice of Allowability mailed 2/24/09, are hereby vacated.

The application is being withdrawn to permit reopening of prosecution. The reasons therefor will be communicated to you by the examiner in the next Office action.

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The above-identified application is being forwarded to the examiner for prompt appropriate action.

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